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Report Highlights:

As of June 9, 2006, the GOP lifted all restrictions related to the threat of an HPAI outbreak. Poland also applied to the European Commission for compensation of losses related to the AI outbreak in wild birds.

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On June 7, 2006, Dr. Krzysztof Jazdzewski, Chief Veterinary Officer (CVO) of Poland, announced that there are no more HPAI outbreak sites in Poland. The veterinary officials closed the last quarantine zone in Warta near Lodz because there were no new cases of AI in this area for 30 days.

On June 9, 2006, the GOP enforced a regulation of the Polish Secretary of Agriculture dated June 8, 2006, repealing the regulation of April 28, 2006 regarding special measures related to the threat of an AI outbreak. According to the opinion of the CVO and the National Veterinary Institute in Pulawy, due to the termination of wild bird migration season, the risk of AI transmission from wild birds to domestic poultry is minimal.

The new regulation lifts all bans and limitations regarding maintenance of domestic poultry imposed previously. Live poultry can be sold in markets and domestic poultry and ostriches can be kept outdoors. Restrictions limiting training and competition flights of domestic pigeons are also lifted.

On May 24, 2006, the GOP applied to the European Commission for compensation of losses caused by the outbreak of AI. (Please note that in Poland HPAI outbreaks were only recorded in wild bird's population.) Polish authorities applied for 220 million zlotys (55 million Euro) of compensation based on reduced demand for hatching eggs and baby chicks, reduced sales of poultry meat, and lower prices of poultry meat in the last quarter of 2005 and first quarter of 2006. It is expected that the EC will decide about allocation of compensation for member states on June 21, 2006.